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In Re Application of IPPIKOGLOU

Application No.: 10/561,743 PCT No.: PCT/EP04/06600

Int. Filing Date: 18 June 2004 Priority Date: 20 June 2003

Attorney Docket No.: 02901/0203760-US0

For: MÉTHOD OF PRODUCING RECOMBINANT DNA:

**MOLECULES** 

**DECISION** 

This is a decision on applicant's "REQUEST FOR CORRECTED FILING RECEIPT AND NOTICE OF ACCEPTANCE" filed in the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) on 23 May 2006.

On 18 June 2004, applicant filed international application No. PCT/EP04/06600 which claimed a priority date of 20 June 2003 and which designated the United States. Thereafter, on 20 December 2005, before the expiration of the thirty month period, applicant filed, *inter alia*, a transmittal letter for entry into the national stage and the basic national stage filing fee. On 15 February 2006, applicant filed an executed declaration.

On 08 May 2006, a Notification of Acceptance Under 35 U.S.C. 371 and 37 CFR 1.495 (Form PCT/DO/EO/903) was mailed correctly indicating a 35 U.S.C. 371(c)(1), (c)(2) and (c)(4) date of 20 December 2005. No Notification of Missing Requirements (Form PCT/DO/EO/905) was issued.

Applicant urges that the Form PCT/DO/EO/903 be vacated and that a new Notification of Acceptance be issued indicating a 35 U.S.C. 371(c)(1), (c)(2) and (c)(4) date of 15 February 2006.

A review of the application in the USPTO's Image File Wrapper (IFW) file confirms that the executed declaration, in accord with PCT Rule 4.17, was submitted on 20 December 2005, which is in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) & (b).

The Notification of Acceptance mailed on 08 May 2006 was not erroneously issued. The 35 U.S.C. 371(c)(1), (c)(2) and (c)(4) date is 20 December 2005.

## **CONCLUSION**

For the reasons set forth above, applicant's request to vacate the Notification of Acceptance is **DISMISSED**.

filing receipt remain in effect.

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